

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6-16, and 23 are presented in this Amendment. Claims 3 and 6 have been amended. Claims 4-5, 17-22, and 24 have been canceled.

In the Office Action mailed July 11, 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 17-21, and 24 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by “Scrap Frenzy”. Claims 3, 4, 17-22, and 24 were rejected as anticipated by Ohio Star Variation. Claims 1, 2, 8-16, and 23 were found to be allowable as were claims 5-7 if rewritten in to independent form.

Applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 1, 2, 8-16 and 24 and the allowability of claims 5-7. Further examination is requested with respect to claim 3.

Claim 3 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 5 and intervening claim 4. Thus claim 3 is now allowable claim 5 rewritten in to independent form to include the limitations of the base claim and sole intervening claim 4. Claim 3 is thus in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits all of the claims in this application are now clearly in condition for allowance. In the event the Examiner finds minor informalities that can be resolved by telephone conference, the Examiner is urged to contact applicants' undersigned representative by telephone at (206) 622-4900 in order to expeditiously resolve prosecution of this application. Consequently, early and favorable action allowing these claims and passing this case to issuance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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